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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

**PRELIMINARY
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
TEMPORARY PLANNED DEVIATION
TO ADJUST CLASSIFICATIONS OF HYDROLOGIC INDICATORS
AND FORECASTS**

**LAKE OKEECHOBEE REGULATION SCHEDULE,
WATER SUPPLY AND ENVIRONMENT (WSE)**

LAKE OKEECHOBEE, FLORIDA

I have reviewed the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed action. This Finding incorporates by reference all discussions and conclusions contained in the EA enclosed hereto. Based on the information analyzed in the EA and pertinent data obtained from Federal and State agencies having jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise, and information obtained from the interested public, I conclude that the considered action would have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment and does not require an Environmental Impact Statement. Reasons for this conclusion are, in summary:

- a. The action will not adversely affect the balance of authorized purposes of the Central and Southern Florida Project for flood control, water supply, fish and wildlife conservation, and recreation.
- b. The selected alternative, Class Limit Adjustment, is a minor modification to the Lake Okeechobee WSE regulation schedule providing improvement to the in-lake performance without significantly impacting the performance of the other lake management objectives
- c. The action will not adversely affect any endangered or threatened species or critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act.
- d. The action is consistent with the State's Coastal Zone Management program.
- e. A determination of no affect to historical properties has been made.

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Date